

DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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INTERPRETIVE OPINION

Pursuant to §103-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), all buildings, facilities and sites constructed by, or on behalf of the State or any county, shall conform to the 2004 Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (2004 ADAAG) and amendments. In accordance to HRS §103-50 and Chapter 11-216, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Disability and Communication Access Board has authority to issue interpretive opinions to HRS §103-50 design standards.

Docket: DCAB 2016-05:

- 1. How are accessible parking access aisles to be marked so as to discourage parking in them?
- 2. Are accessible parking access aisles to be identified with signage?

Summary:

In addition to the ADAAG, projects subject to HRS §103-50 must comply with Hawaii Revised Statutes Parking Law Chapter 219, Part III and Hawaii Administrative Rules Title II, Chapter 219.

While the ADAAG requires that accessible parking access aisles shall be marked to discourage parking in them, the ADAAG does not provide technical provisions on how the access aisle should be marked. There are other situations in which the ADAAG does not address a particular element. In these instances, the guidelines that can be used or which may be applicable are applied as a minimum requirement. There are other situations in which guidelines have been developed but have not yet been adopted by an enforcement agency as a standard. The DOJ has advised that these guidelines can be used as best practice. The technical provisions in Hawaii Administrative Rules can be used as best practice.

Ruling: For buildings or facilities subject to HRS §103-50,

ADAAG Section 216 Signs, 502 Parking Spaces

- 1. Accessible parking access aisles to be marked per Hawaii Administrative Rules Title II, Chapter 219.
- 2. Yes, accessible parking access aisles and accessible parking stalls are required to be identified with signage complying with Hawaii Administrative Rules Title II, Chapter 219.

[Rul: 01/26/17] (Auth and Imp: HRS §103-50)

If you have any questions or comments regarding this ruling, please call us at 586-8121.

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